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Cloud Computing: A perspective

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The Buzz

The Internet Industry Is on a Cloud – Whatever That May Mean
Wall Street Journal, March 26, 2009, A1

Federal CIO Scrutinizes Spending And Eyes Cloud Computing
Information Week, March 14, 2009

“Cloud Computing 'Something We Absolutely Have to Do'”

- John Garing, CIO, DISA

“I had a customer tell me there’s a rainstorm coming, that there will be all these clouds and none are going to talk to each other.”

- Susan Adams, Chief Technology Officer, Microsoft Federal Civilian Practice

Our World Today

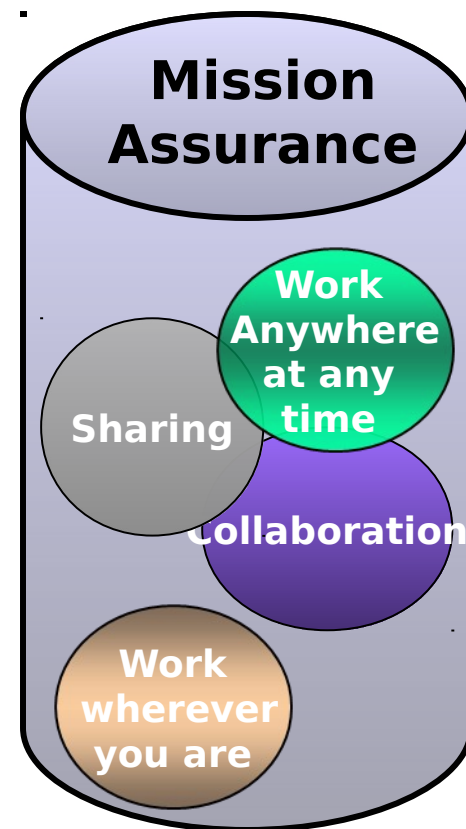
**Changes in the underlying platform enable
Web 2.0 - blogs, wikis, social networking**

- **Agility/flexibility of technology - implying a power shift**
- **Always on - ubiquitous**
- **Real time information and immediate feedback**
- **Provides**
 - **New distribution channels**
 - **Early warning through the blogosphere**
 - **Radical transparency**
 - **Dynamic, ad hoc sharing and collaboration**

Presenting challenges for the “institution”

Congruent and Converging Forces ...that compete

- **If you accept...**
 - There is an unquenchable thirst for collaboration and sharing
 - We can work anywhere at any time - highly mobile workforce
 - You can work wherever you are - at home, traveling, etc.
- **Then...**
 - How do we achieve mission assurance on the same network?
 - How do we ensure the network is there when we need it?
 - What approach should we take?



The Enterprise Never Relaxes

“The Cloud”

A style of computing where massively scalable (and elastic) IT-related capabilities are provided “as a service” to external customers using Internet technologies.

What’s new?

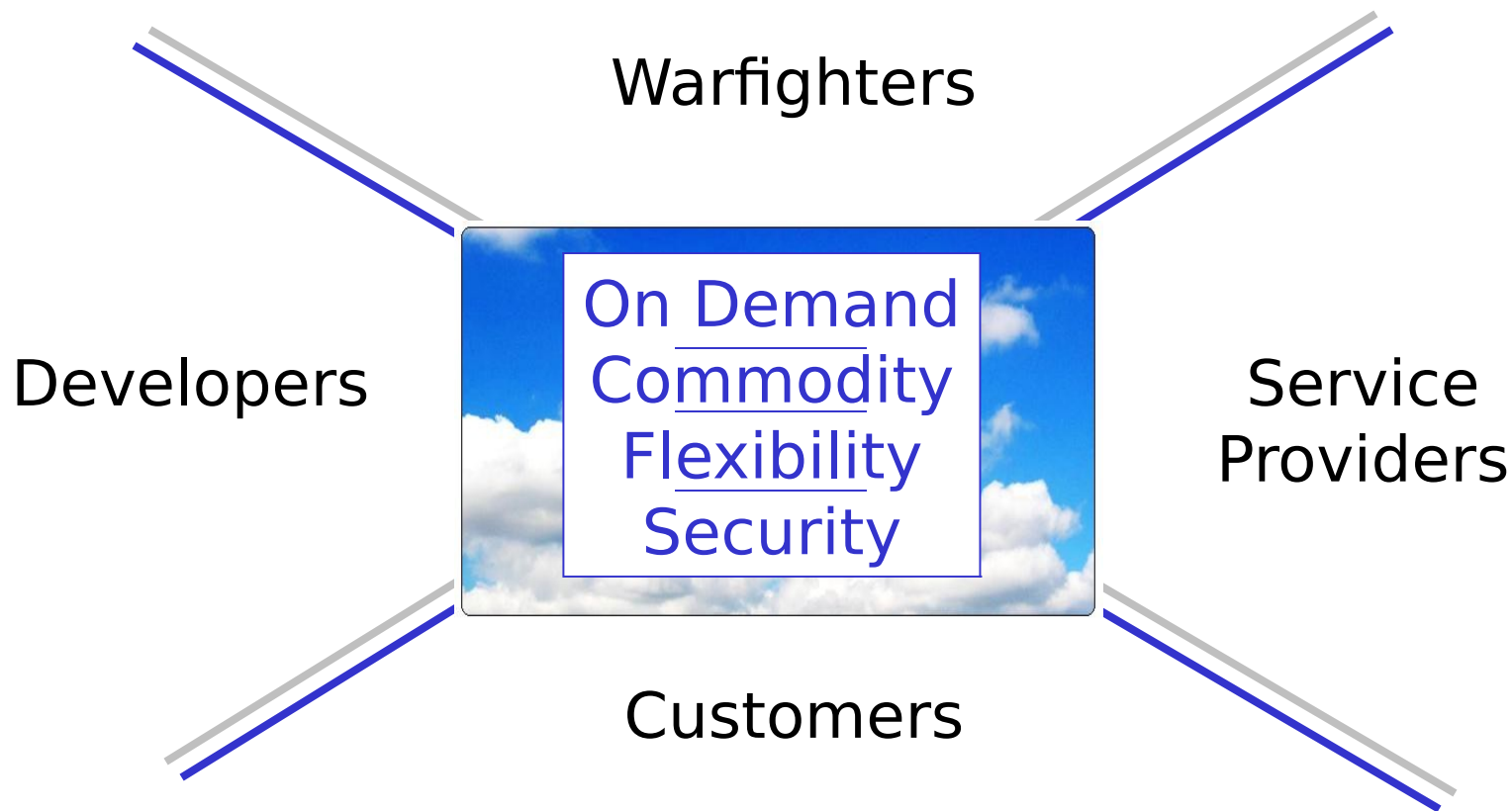
Acquisition Model:
Based on
purchasing of
services

Business Model:
Based on pay for
use

Access Model:
Over the Internet
to ANY device

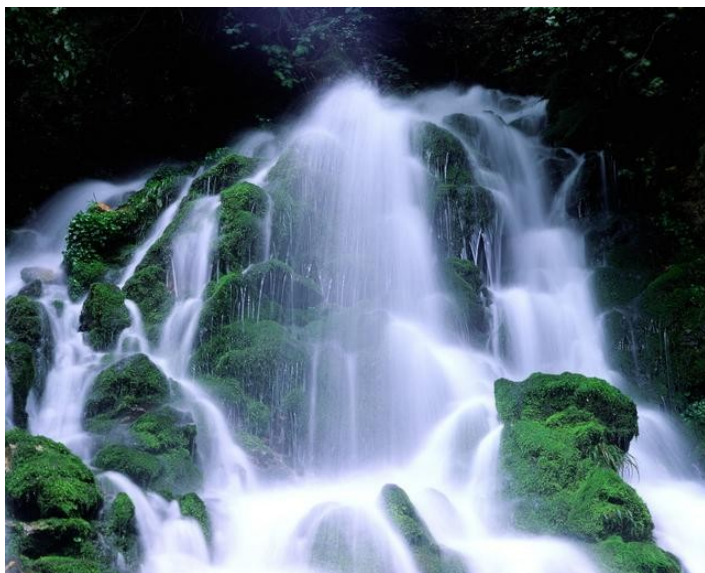
Technical Model:
Scalable, elastic,
dynamic, multi-
tenant, & sharable

Changes In Consumption Patterns



Changes In Expectations

Enabling the Cloud Environment



- **Infrastructure**
 - Consolidation
 - Global Information Grid
 - Capacity Services
 - Virtualization
 - Rapid Provisioning
 - Facility Analysis
- **Software**
 - Network-Centric Services
 - SAAS
 - Forge.mil
- **Processes**
 - ITIL
 - Security (Certification & Accreditation (C&A))
 - Computing Service

Multiple Technology Rivers Merging

DISA's Components to Cloud Computing

- **Platform-As-A-Service (PaaS)**

- Delivers a computing platform and/or solution stack as a service
- Facilitates deployment of applications without the cost and complexity of buying and managing the underlying hardware and software layers



- **Infrastructure-As-A-Service (IaaS)**

- The delivery of computer IaaS, typically platform virtualization
- For example:
 - Virtual desktops
 - Grid computing

- **Applications-As-A-Service (AaaS) /Software-As-A-Service (SaaS)**

- Leverages the Cloud in software architecture
- Eliminates the need to install and run the application on the customer's own computer
- Type:
 - Commercial
 - Government



- Develops the SaaS Ecosphere
- Accelerates applications development

Independent But Complementary Activities

DISA RACE Drivers...Why Do It

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- **Support faster application development/deployment**
 - **Reduce hardware provisioning from months to hours**
 - **Provide standard platforms to encourage standardization**
 - **Developing under security guidelines reduces implementation delays to retrofit security**
- **Reduce development and operating cost**
 - **Self-service model reduces costs**
 - **Standardization reduces support costs**
 - **Centralizing resources in the cloud**
- **Improve overall security posture**
 - **No servers under desks**
 - **Secure facilities**
 - **Uniform application of security guidelines**

RACE - The Solution

Increased Speed

- ◆◆ 24 hour provisioning
- ◆◆ Online self service
- ◆◆ Credit card acquisition

Increased Scalability

- ◆◆ Increase capacity ~ 24 hours
- ◆◆ "Turn On / Turn Off" monthly
- ◆◆ Capacity on demand



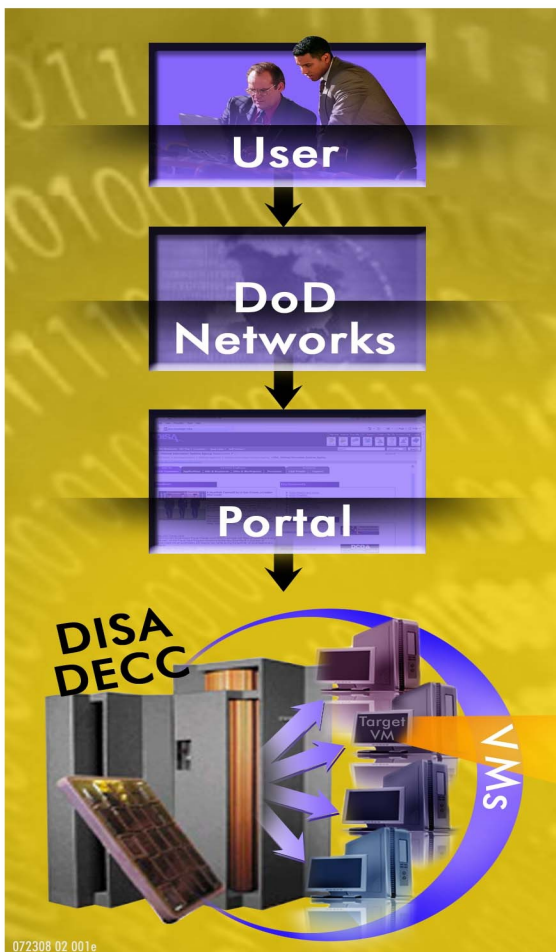
Reduced Risk

- ◆◆ No capital \$ needed
- ◆◆ DECC Infrastructure
- ◆◆ Develop under DoD IA standards

Reduced Cost

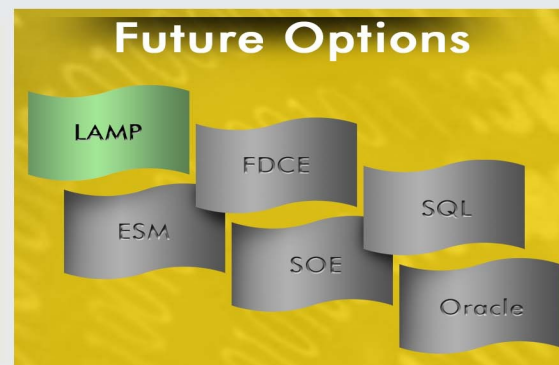
- ◆◆ Pay only for what you need
- ◆◆ Month-to-month service
- ◆◆ No annual maintenance fees

RACE - How It Works



SERVICE OFFERING – \$500/MO

- Basic Security – Developmental Testing Environment
- System admin for provisioning
- 365/24/7 Service Desk Support
- DECC Standard configuration:
 - Server Image
 - 1 CPU
 - 1 GB Memory
 - 50 GB Storage
 - OS – STIG'd or UnSTIG'd
 - LAMP stack
 - Connectivity ~ NIPR



User Self-Service



- Collaborative environment supporting the development and sharing of open source and community source software within the DoD
- Limited Operation Availability: January 23, 2009
- General Availability: March 27, 2009



- Common evaluation criteria and an agile certification process to accelerate the certification of reusable, net-centric solutions
- Limited Operational Availability: June 20, 2009



- On demand application development and lifecycle management tools provided buy DISA Computing Services Directorate on a fee-for-service bases for private project or program use
- Availability: TBD

**Bridging Developers & Operations
To Foster The Cloud**

RACE and Forge.mil

A complementary offering



RACE Phase I

- **Acquire development server**
- **Develop application**
- **Developer Testing**



RACE Phase II

- **Certify and accredit application**
- **User Testing**
- **Store and share image**
- **Pre-production test and QA**



- **Free public code repository/library**
- **Find pre-existing source code**
- **Manage project lifecycle for public projects**
- **Share new code with others**
- **Collaborate with other DoD**



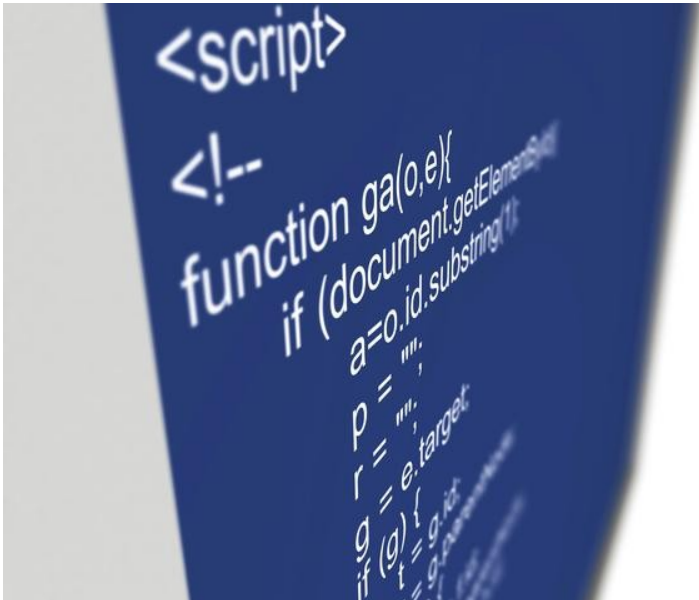
- **Fee-for-service private code repository/library (SaaS)**
- **Manage team efforts**
- **Manage project lifecycle for private projects**
- **Collaborate with team members**

Next Generation Of DISA Capabilities

Software as a Service (SaaS)

Challenge

- **3M+ user baseline, continually changing and growing**
- **Dynamic requirements**
- **Software acquisition lead time**
- **Outyear capital projection for technology infusion**



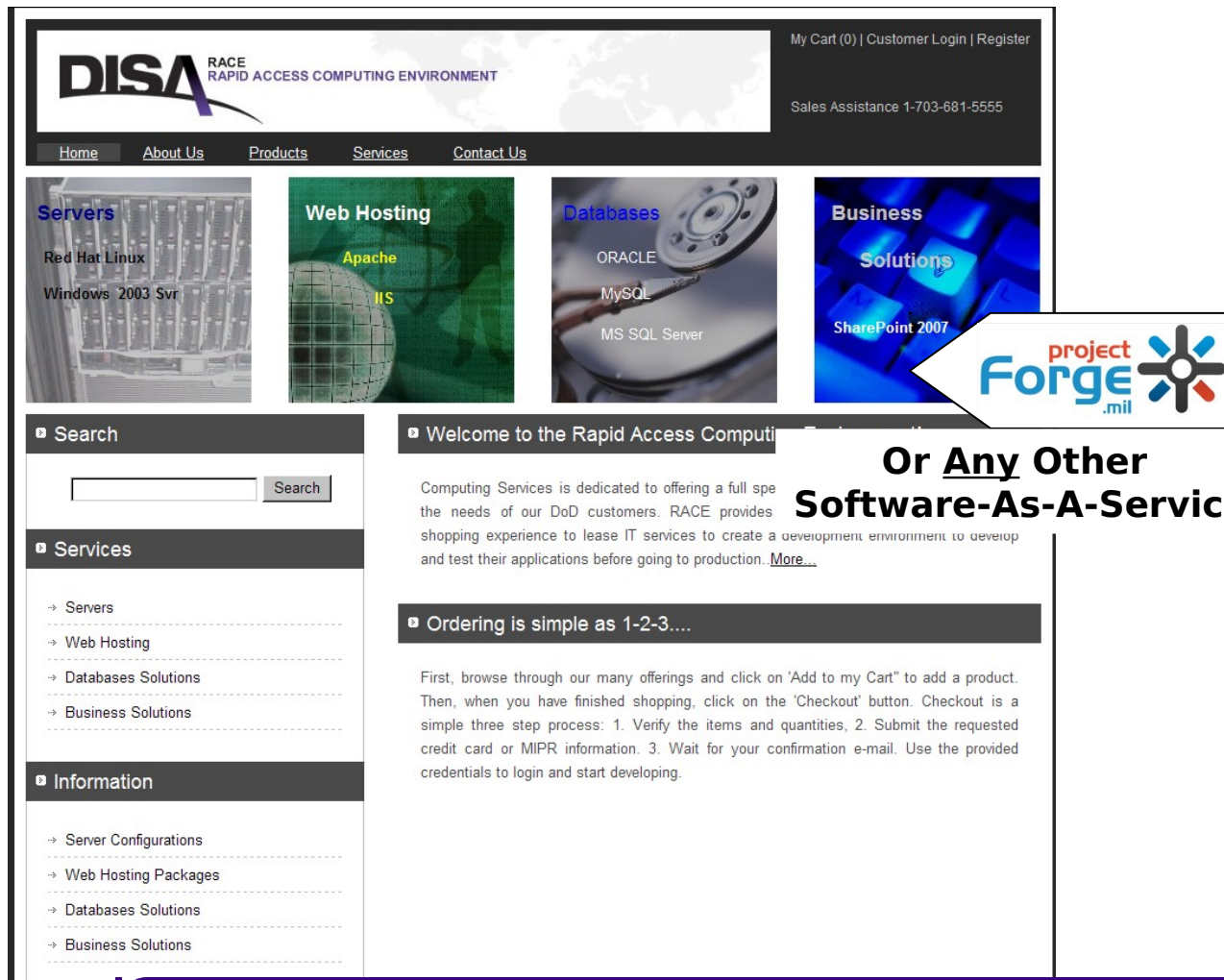
SaaS Provider(s)

- **Manage software on “usage” basis**
- **Established negotiated prices**
- **Include future versions/releases**
- **Provide maintenance and patches**

Examples

- **Enterprise Email**
- **Host Based Security Solution**
- **Back-up & recovery**

Proposed RACE User Interface



- **Software.Forge** becomes a NCES-like offering
- **Project.Forge** becomes a SAAS offering

Or Any Other
Software-As-A-Service

**RACE is a User
Self-Service Portal
for CSD services**

RACE Is The User Entry Point For Service Offerings

DISA Challenges and Barriers

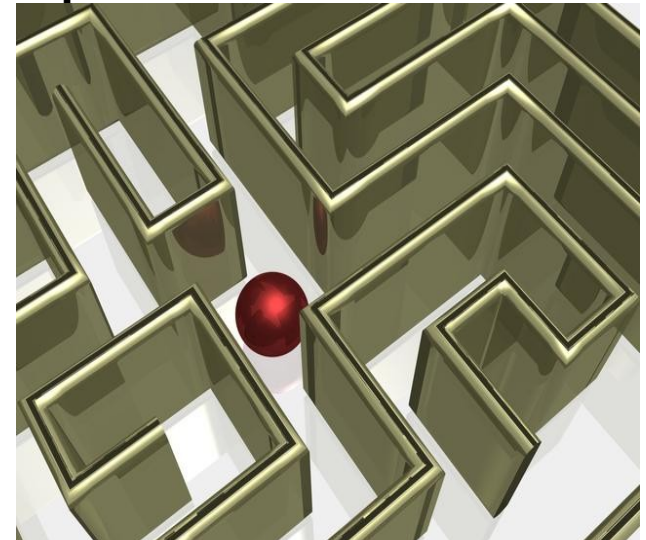
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Current

- **Balancing Security and Usability**
 - User Validation
 - Virtualization; servers, firewalls, networks
 - Access
- **Business processes**
 - Flexible funding; credit cards, speeding MIPR process
- **Cultural inertia**
 - Sharing the vision
 - Convincing “Box Huggers”
- **Controlling expectations**
 - “Why can’t it.....”

Future

- **Security optimization**
 - “Shared” accreditation
 - Validation of customer applications
 - Integrating Software as a Service
 - Accessing federated and shared services
 - Varying interpretations of security guidelines
- **Business streamlining**
 - Each Service and Agency has unique processes
 - Funding hurdles; Procurement \$ verses Operating \$



Clouds - Complexity With A Promise Of

A Simple Idea

User:

Builds a web application,
Using a standard platform
Using a standard database
Upload this application to a cloud provider
Only pays for what s/he uses when s/he
needs it.

**Everything else is an implementation
detail.**

Cloud provider automatically
Provisions the services
Scales the application and the database
together

Clear Tenets

Application Flexibility

Standardized
Increasing “click to run” services
Live in remote Internet data centers
Scalable to millions

Procurement

Efficient
Rapid
Commoditized
“Pay by the sip”

Security

Simplified
Streamlined

Multi-faceted Enablement

Infrastructure

Consolidation
Global Information Grid
Capacity Services
Virtualization
Rapid Provisioning
Facility Analysis

Software

Network-centric Services
Saas
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Processes

ITIL
Security (C&A)
Computing Service Provider
(CSP)

It's A Journey

